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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/828,479

Applicants: Michael R JOHNSON

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For: METHODS OF USING SODIUM CHANNEL

BLOCKERS

Group Art Unit: 1624

Examiner: Z.C. TUCKER

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Response to Restriction Requirement

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Responsive to the Official Action dated December 5, 2006, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 125-162, 164, 167, 171, 173, 176, 177, 184, 188-193, 196-202, 204, 205, 207-210, 212-246 (all in part) and Claims 163, 165, 166, 168-170, 172, 174, 175, 178-183, 185-187, 194, 195, 203, 206 and 211.

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is now ready for examination on the merits, and early notice of such action is earnestly solicited.

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